Sanskrit Sansthan has given financial assistance to NGOs which run traditional Sanskrit Pathshalas and to institutions recognized as Adarsh Sanskrit Mahavidyalayas.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) All the schemes being run through Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs), have an inbuilt mechanism for post-sanction monitoring and review. Where misuse of funds by such organizations is substantiated, action is taken under the relevant provisions of the Revenue Recovery Act/Criminal Procedure Code, in consultation with the State Government. There are also provisions for blacklisting NGOs, which are then, no more Entitled for Government Grants. The Government, from time to time, also reviews and modifies the existing schemes with a view to plug the loopholes in the schemes, if any.

Perpetuation of reservation

*362. SHRI DARA SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Supreme Court has opined that "Quota can't remain forever and must come to an end one day as if it is perpetual, the entire objective is defeated";

(b) if so, the present policy of Government with regard to reservation in educational institutions; and

(c) the reaction of Government to the Supreme Court's observation in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) to (c) Since the constitutional validity of the Constitution (93rd Amendment) Act, 2005 and the Central Educational Institutions (Reservation in Admission) Act, 2006, is *sub-judice* before a Constitution Bench of the Supreme Court of India, it would not be proper for the Central Government to comment on any opinion or observation in the matter. The Central Government is committed to promote the educational advancement of the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and the other Socially and Educationally Backward Classes of citizens under Article 15(5) of the Constitution.

Scheme for development of agriculture sector

†*363. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry and the Ministry of Earth Sciences have formulated an ambitious scheme for strengthening and encouraging agriculture sector in the country;

(b) whether the Ministry has made efforts for achieving four per cent growth rate in agriculture sector; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.